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TAGS: OVIP, TRA

SUBJECT: VISIT BY CODEL FRASER

1. DEPT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT CONGRESSMAN DONALD M. FRASER, CHAIRMAN, HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND MOVEMENTS, PLANS TO VISIT SEOUL AND MANILA DURING CONGRESSIONAL EASTER RECESS. SPECIFIC FOCUS OF TRIP WILL BE HUMAN RIGHTS. REP. FRASER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MR. JOHN SALZBURG AND MR. ROBERT BOETTCHER OF HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE STAFF. ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB PLANS MEET WITH CODEL BEFORE DEPARTURE.

2. WHILE PLANS NOT YET FINAL, CODEL HOPES ARRIVE SEOUL MARCH 28 FOR VISIT OF THREE OR FOUR DAYS AND THEN PROCEED TO MANILA.

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3. EMBASSIES SHOULD DO ALL POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT FRASER

IS ABLE TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT PARK AND PRESIDENT MARCOS.
(WE HAVE INFORMED KOREAN EMBASSY HERE, SUGGESTING CALL ON
PRESIDENT PARK.)

4. FOR MANILA. FYI: REP. FRASER HAS PLAYED A LEADING ROLE

IN FORMING CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES ON HUMAN RIGHTS
QUESTION AND U.S. ASSISTANCE. IN 1974 HE HELD HEARINGS
ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN KOREA AND HAS RECENTLY BECOME INCREAS-
INGLY INTERESTED IN THE PHILIPPINES AS WELL. WE ARE NOW
WORKING ON A REPLY TO A FRASER LETTER INQUIRING WHETHER
SECTION 502(B) WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO PHILIPPINE SITUATION.
END FYI.

5. WE WILL PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS WHEN THEY BECOME
AVAILABLE.

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